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QUEEN'S COLLEGE PRIZE-GIVING THE REPORT HIS EXCELLENCY DISTRIBUTES THE PRIZES INTERESTING SPEECH

His Excellency the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) was present this morning at Queen's College and, before distributing the prizes to the successful pupils, delivered a very interesting speech with regard to the College.

The visitors also included Sir Henry and Lady Pollock, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. W. W. Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hong Kong, Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education, Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of English Schools, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Sayer, Mr. J. Ralston and Mr. Hin-shing Lo.

There was a very large attendance of pupils and their friends in the College Hall, where the presentation ceremony took place.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT

Mr. A. H. Crook, M.A., Headmaster, presented his report as follows:

At the beginning of 1928 we had 618 pupils on the roll as against 595 at the beginning of 1927. From pupils dropping out and others being taken on in their places we attained a total number of 667 scholars for the year.

Divisions of Class 8 and divisions of Class 3 are the only classes into which we admit new boys in any number. The other classes are generally filled by promotions from the classes immediately below.

In the divisions of Class 8 we received 83 new boys, and in the divisions of Class 3 we admitted 108 new boys from the Government District schools, who had passed the Class IV departmental examination.

A Good Average

The number of school days was 227—exactly the same as last year—more than the usual, due to the unfortunate calamity that the Birthday of Confucius and the 10th of the 10th month (western reckoning) both fell on the same day, and that a half holiday!

The average daily attendance was 88.1 per cent, just about the same as last year which was 88 per cent. School teachers, I think, will agree with me that this is a good average. It is certainly an improvement on our own average of a few years ago. It shows that the health of the school is not bad. No doubt the greatly improved general health of the Colony so closely affects us that it is largely responsible for this good attendance. No serious outbreak of any epidemic took place or affected us.

Vigour in Sports

Our sports were carried on much as usual. Through the kindness of the Chinese Bathing Club we were enabled to hold our annual swimming gala at their bathing enclosure at North Point when we had a very successful day's amusement with quite a large number of entrants. Our other sports, volleyball, football, basket ball, tennis and a certain amount of cricket were carried over the Far East.

STILL PROGRESSING SATISFACTORY REPORT ON H.M. THE KING

THE BOGNOR TRIP

London, Yesterday. Reuter is officially informed that the King's progress is being maintained.

The King's Journey. The Queen, who was accompanied by Prince and Princess of Wales, visited Bognor this afternoon to inspect the arrangements made for the King's stay at Craigwell House. The journey was made by motor-car.

Her Majesty and the Princess returned to London in the evening. It is expected that the King will go to Bognor in about a week's time. (British Wireless Service.)

Queen Makes Plans. It is expected the King will go to Bognor on the 7th inst., weather permitting. H.M.'s medical advisers believe the anxious journey would be made by road, thus minimising the King's moves.

The Queen has selected a small private hotel as a guest house while the Court is at Aldwick which contains 16 bedrooms in which electric fires are being fixed.

Expert's View

The "British Medical Journal," referring to the King's "slow but steady progress towards convalescence," mentions that his temperature has settled down and pulse quiet. His sleep is better and more solid food is being taken.

The journal pays a tribute to the King's doctors and nurses' skill and devotion which have been allowed full scope throughout, for which "the nation owes a great debt to the Queen, whose courage has been an example to her people."—Reuter.

and had always shown a deep interest in the College. To him we are indebted for several scholarships and prizes.

Philanthropic Gifts

Here also I should like to mention that this year at the present prize-giving we are awarding for the first time whole Free Scholarships in each class from 8 to 5 inclusive. These are to be annual. They are part of the munificent gift of Mr. Woo Hay-tong, himself an honoured old boy of this College, as was also his father, the late Mr. Woo Lal-woon, before him. We can conceive of no wiser cause than education as a benevolent object for the philanthropic gifts of those who have benefited thereby.

The "Yellow Dragon" must be one of the oldest school magazines, if not the oldest in the Far East. It is now entering on its thirtieth year of continued existence. This according to Confucius dates the beginning of personal independence and self-control and a well known modern writer speaks of 30 as the grand climacteric, after which the individual's career is made or marred. But dragons by repute are long lived and difficult to kill; and this one bids fair to round the century. It is read by a large number of old boys widely scattered over the Far East.

Few Alterations

We made very few alterations in the general organisation or working of the school. In the commercial division of the matriculation class we introduced a little elementary training on the typewriter because so many business firms and offices when enquiring for clerks give preference to those who know something of the use of a typewriter.

The removal of the Technical Institute students from the basement laboratory enabled us to use that room for other purposes and at the suggestion of the Second Master it was converted into a special room for geography. This is a very important change. No subject seems to me to have as large an educative value as geography, especially in the application of physical geography and its underlying principles to man, his agriculture and commerce.

Mental Discipline

The convenience of being able to collect in one room all the beautiful relief models of the continents which we have, and the instruments for elementary instruction in measurements and position on the

OPIUM SCHEME IS "RIDICULOUS"

U.S. PROPOSAL

STRONG CRITICISM BY BRITISH
DELEGATES

IDEA "BURIED"

Geneva, Yesterday. The Opium Commission began the discussion of the American Government's proposals for the limitation of production and traffic in narcotics.

Mr. Van Vettum (Holland) and Mr. Sato (Japan) both contended that the commission should allow the Geneva Convention of 1925, which is only now being enforced, time to show what it could do. The Convention had envisaged suitable and sufficient measures and the American project could do no more and would be impossible to apply.

A Suggestion

Signor Cavazzoni (Italy) suggested that the commission postpone the discussion and submit the American proposals to all states, even those not members of the League, and request them to forward their observations on the basis of which the Commission could resume discussion. Signor Avazzoni also announced that the Due Muccolini had instructed the Minister of Finance preliminarily to examine the proposal to create a monopoly of narcotics in Italy.

British Opposition

Sir John Campbell (India) severely criticised the American proposal and described it as ridiculous. He urged the Commission not to trouble about it.

Sir Malcolm Delavigne supported Sir J. Campbell and emphasised the difficulties in the way of the scheme.

Sir J. Campbell's motion for the burying of the proposal was ultimately carried.—Reuter.

AFGHAN TURMOIL

HOW BRITAIN KEEPS NEUTRAL

STATEMENT FROM INDIA

New Delhi, Yesterday.

Sir Denys Bray, in a statement in the Assembly regarding the situation in Afghanistan, declared that not a single soldier or gun had been moved to the frontier. The daily life of the frontier garrisons remained undisturbed.

All the tribes remained steady, though individual tribesmen were unable to resist the strong and natural impulse to enter the turmoil on one side or another. The tribesmen's support was being canvassed by the adherents of the three Governments at Kandahar, Kabul and Jalalabad and the efforts of the British frontier officers were taxed to prevent headstrong tribal action and to compel the observance of the Government policy of scrupulous non-interference.—Reuter.

CHINESE CONSUL COMMUNITY'S WELCOME AT SINGAPORE

Singapore, Jan. 24.

The recently appointed Consul-General to Singapore, Mr. Tong Lao, and Mrs. Tong Lao, arrived in Singapore this morning by the Porthos II.

Mr. Tong Lao was met by Mr. Li-Tchun, the departing Consul-General, and representatives of over 60 guilds in cars bearing each guild's name. In addition there were members of all classes of the Chinese community which has expressed its welcome by flying their national flag throughout the town.

Mr. Tong Lao is a slight young man of about 28 years of age. He was for two years at the Court of St. James and prior to that he was attached in the Chinese Legation in the United States.

He has held Consular appointments at Padang, Sourabaya and Nagasaki.

He left Nanking over a month ago, and is very hopeful of the Nanking Government's success in putting an end to all China's troubles.

He had a very pleasant voyage out, and told a "Straits Times" representative that the sight of so many Chinese sampans in the harbour made him feel quite at home.

Mr. Li-Tchun will be leaving for Canada in about a fortnight's time.

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ENGLAND OPENS 4TH TEST MATCH

77 FOR 0

HOBBES AND SUTCLIFFE BATTING AT ADELAIDE

CHAPMAN WINS TOSS

Adelaide, To-day. Before a crowd of 15,000 people, in cool but overcast weather, on a hard wicket, the fourth Test match opened this morning. Chapman winning the toss and sending in Hobbs and Sutcliffe.

By the time the 15th interval arrived England had scored, according to Reuter, 77 runs for no loss.

The England team, as announced in a cable a few days ago, remains unchanged from that which won the second and third Tests, which means that the following have yet to bat:

D. R. Jardine, W. R. Hammond, E. Hendren, A. P. F. Chapman (captain), G. Geary, M. W. Tate, H. Larwood, G. Duckworth, J. C. White.

Steady Play

Both bowling and batting were on the steady, side, and the fifty was sent up in 63 minutes. Before lunch it was real fighting cricket, that was played, and at the interval the scores stood:

J. B. Hobbs, not out 41
H. Sutcliffe, not out 31
Extras 5

Total (for 0 wkt.) 77

PRINCE'S CONCERN FOR PEOPLE

"IT WILL TAKE TIME"

TOUCHING INCIDENT DURING COAL FIELD TOUR

ASSURANCE TO MAN OR

Above the cheers of the people thronging round the Prince of Wales in one of the long and mean streets of Jarrow rose the cry "Let me just touch him!"

It was a blind woman. The Prince was then entering a cottage to visit a bed-ridden septuagenarian, who had been employed for 50 years in a shipyard where there are now only 3,000 workers compared with a normal 12,000.

The Prince heard the cry and stopped and raised his hat. He asked the crowd to make way and shook her hand and talked kindly to the woman.

This was one of the many incidents betokening the affection for the Prince among folks living under appalling conditions.

Conversing with the mayor of Durham, H.R.H. said: I am very touched by what I have seen of the bravery, patience and hope of these poor people. I am sure things will be righted, but afraid it will take time.

The people I met on this tour could not have been nicer to me personally. It is wonderful!

FOR SINGAPORE

FACTS ABOUT CRUSHING MACHINERY

A \$11,000 ORDER

London, Yesterday.

In the Commons, in reply to questions, Mr. Bridgeman stated that an order for crushing machinery costing about \$11,000 for the Singapore base had been placed with an English-registered company. Fifty-five per cent. of the value would be manufactured in Belgium, 25 per cent. in the United States and 20 per cent. in Britain.—Reuter.

HOME EXPORTS

SATISFACTORY INCREASE IN FIGURES

PIECE GOODS AND SILK

London, Yesterday.

The big increase in British exports in 1928 indicate the growing popularity of mixed piecegoods cotton and artificial silk. Official figures issued by the Manchester Chamber of Commerce reveal that shipments valued at nearly six and a half millions sterling, an increase of nearly two millions compared with 1927.

All markets took increased quantities, Brazil's receipts mounting by leaps and bounds in recent months.—Reuter.

15 GUNS A TIME

VICE-ADMIRALS EXCHANGE SALUTES

TRANSFER OF FLAG

Vice-Admiral A. K. Walstall, C.B. (the new Commander-in-Chief, China Station), who arrived from Home yesterday, hoisted his flag in H.M.S. "Cornwall" this morning.

Salutes of 15 guns each were then exchanged between his Excellency and his predecessor, Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Y. Tyrwhitt, Bart., K.C.B., D.S.O., D.C.L., who will strike his flag in H.M.S. "Kent" at sunset to-day, when the new Commander-in-Chief will transfer his flag to "Kent."

Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt leaves for Home tomorrow, at noon, on the "Mores."

the Chinese Telegraphs Administration, Hong Kong.

After mid-day, Marshal Li visited Government House and conversed for the first time with His Excellency since the latter's return from leave. Marshal Li was entertained at luncheon.

Marshal Li left Kowloon by special train at 2.15 p.m. for Canton. After staying there a few days he goes up the West River to Kwangtung, his native province, to attend the funeral ceremonies of his mother, which will occupy a week or so, and he will then return to Canton.

THE LAST TIME

ST. STEPHEN'S BOYS OUT AT PROSPECT PLACE

ANNUAL PRIZE-GIVING

For the last time in the temporary accommodation at Prospect Place—prior to entry into the new school building at Stanley—the annual prize-distribution ceremony of St. Stephen's College was held this morning, when a large and distinguished gathering watched Mr. Kwok Siu-lau, J.P., a benefactor of the school, give out the awards.

His Lordship the Bishop of Victoria (Rt. Rev. C. R. Dupuy, D.D.), who is chairman of the College Council, presided. Others present included the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tso, O.B.E., LL.D. and Mr. Li Hoi-tung (both members of the College Council), Mr. Kwok Yau-tung and Mr. Buchanan.

Mr. F. A. Britton, M.A., acting Warden, presented his report as follows:

Our numbers remained steady throughout the year the total number in attendance being 167 of whom 63 were boarders. The accommodation for boarders at Polkulum has been filled to the uttermost, and the Staff have been content with a minimum of space for themselves. We are looking forward with keen anticipation to the move to Stanley which should take place soon after Easter.

Council

The College congratulates Hon. Dr. S. W. Tso on his becoming a member of the Legislative Council.

Dr. Tso is one of the founders of St. Stephen's and has, from the beginning, given services of inestimable value. Sir Henry Pollock has given a great deal of time to the College during the past year as Chairman of the Building Committee. We offer him our most sincere

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20 Cases Gin
2 Cases Cottons
1 Case Yarn
3 Cooking Stoves
25 Heaters
3 Rolls Wire Netting
6 Porcelain Commodes
11 Porcelain Sinks
13 Sacks Flour
1 Bale Old Newspaper
70 Bottles Cod Liver Oil Emulsion
24 Bottles Extract of Malt with
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(for account of the concerned)
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Oil Paintings, Carpets, Rugs, Por-

celain Vases, Ornaments, Steel

Cabin Trunks, Perambulators,

etc., etc.

Teak Dining Tables, Dining

Chairs, Sideboards, Dinner Wag-

gons, Ice Chests, Aluminium Ware,

Crockery, Glass Ware, Cutlery,

etc., etc.

Brass and Teak Bedsteads,
Wardrobes, Dressing Tables,
Chests of Drawers, Washstands,

Commodes, Crockery, Linen, etc.,

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CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
SEATTLE MARU Friday, 1st February.
KASASO MARU Monday, 18th February.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports From
Shanghai.
ALABAMA MARU Sunday, 3rd February.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.
HIMALAYA MARU Wednesday, 6th February.
BANGKOK—Via Saigon.
KOHKO MARU Monday, 4th February.
HAIPHONG—Via Hanoi & Pakhoi. Thursday, 14th February 10 a.m.
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JAPAN PORTS
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ALASKA MARU Tuesday, 12th February.
KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY. Sunday, 3rd February Noon.
CANTON MARU Sunday, 3rd February Noon.
HOZAN MARU Sunday, 7th February Noon.
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SHIPPING SECTION.

'HSINWAH' DISASTER

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Later witness went with the second engineer and the boatswain to lower No. 1 lifeboat but could not get to it on account of the large number of people in it and surrounding it. Witness then returned to his cabin and when he came back soon afterwards he did not see any of the officers. When he got to the top deck again, No. 3 lifeboat was in the water and was being rowed off. Together with several other persons witness got on to a raft which floated when the ship foundered. No. 1 lifeboat was never launched.

Finally, the raft on which the witness was left ashore on a small island. This was about 7 or 8 a.m. and was aroused by the quartermaster. Witness went to the boat deck where he saw a lot of passengers running about. All the 500 lifeboats on the ship were served out and some sailors unfastened eight rafts.

The witness' boat was No. 6 on the poop but he did not go to that boat because he saw a lot of people running away from it. He went to No. 1 boat instead. When it became fully loaded with passengers it could not be lowered because of the crowd.

When the ship was nearly sinking witness heard someone call out that a boat was being lowered. It was No. 3 boat and witness got into it by sliding down ropes. Witness could not explain why passengers in the crowded No. 1 boat did not go to No. 3 boat. As a matter of fact the witness did not know who were passengers and who were crew until the lifeboat had left the ship.

"Coroner: There were 20 persons in the boat of whom 16 belonged to the ship."

"No Time To Wait" Witness added that there was a loud explosion when the ship sank. Afterwards, when it was daylight, whilst drifting on the raft, witness saw the Chief and Second Engineers on another raft near by. He saw them both washed off the raft. The Chief Engineer disappeared, but the second engineer swam towards a capsized lifeboat to which 5 or 6 persons were clinging. Of these people the witness recognised the ship's carpenter, two quartermasters and the No. 1 fireman. Then the raft and the capsized boat drifted apart, and witness did not know what happened to those clinging to the boat. However, he saw the second engineer reach the upturned boat.

The inquiry was adjourned until 2.30 p.m., on Wednesday next.

Naval Position

Yesterday afternoon evidence was given by Paymaster Lieut.-Comdr. D. H. Pasmore, Secretary to the Commodore. He said that he received the first message of the disaster soon after 5 a.m. In view of the fact that the Taikoo tug was sent, it was decided to take no other action. The Naval tug would have taken about two hours to raise steam and one hour to get to Wigan.

Another message was received at 6.30 a.m., and again no action was taken in view of the fact that there was no indication in either message that the tug sent out could not deal with the situation or that the vessel carried passengers.

Questioned as to whether there was any arrangement between the local Government and the Navy, with regard to taking action in such circumstances, the witness said that the news was passed to the Navy, but there was actually no ship held in readiness. There was a destroyer on patrol about "three hours" away which might have been of use if the nature of the wreck had been known. The Naval tug was for Naval emergency and there was no special arrangement with the Government for its use.

No Tug
In any case it was doubtful if the small tug would have been sent out in that strong monsoon. There was a large tug which would have taken about six hours to raise steam. As it had not been thought necessary, there was no discussion about sending out any tug.

London, Yesterday.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, President of the Board of Trade, stated in the House of Commons that an enquiry would be held into the loss of the steamship "Vestris" by the Wreck Commissioner assisted by assessors. Mr. Aspinall, K.C., would act as Commissioner. British Wireless Service.

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Docks, the authorities would be able to give to the depressed industries benefits corresponding to those given under the Government scheme to the railways and thus avoid diversion and interference with the balance of traffic which it is so desirable to maintain.

"The immediate benefit which would flow from this action on the part of the Government would be widespread in its character. The direct and indirect effect on the labour market of any injury suffered by coastal shipping would be incalculable, quite apart from the injury from the defensive point of view which this country would suffer, since these crews may be regarded as the backbone of our seafaring population."

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COASTAL SHIPPING

SERIOUS EFFECT OF DE-RATING BLOCK GRANT

London.—An important statement regarding the probable effect of the Government's de-rating scheme on the coastal services of the country was issued by the Chamber of Shipping.

"The desire of the Government to help coal, iron, steel, agriculture and other depressed industries is right and natural," the statement declared. "Shipowners might have reasonably claimed that they were a depressed industry, since freights to-day are lower than they were before the war, and the costs of operation range from 50 to 100 per cent. higher. Nevertheless, they are content to see the benefit of the Government de-rating scheme concentrated in the manner proposed, hoping that they may reap indirect advantages from the revival of trade which it is hoped will follow."

Referring to the decision to anticipate the date of operation of the scheme so far as railways were concerned, the statement comments:—"The result of this alteration in the original scheme will be to inflict injustice both on the dock authorities and on those who are responsible for maintaining the shipping services round our coasts."

Competition With Railways
"The latter have been since the war in fierce competition with the railway companies, which have maintained differential rates on the coast for the specific object of attracting traffic which formerly went by sea.

"The coastal shipping industry is thus threatened with a dual handicap. In the first place, the dock authorities will have no relief to pass on to them through the charges which are made, and in the second place the railways will receive relief enabling them to reduce their rates to the further disadvantage of coastal shipping."

"If a large part of the traffic is diverted to the railways as a result of the anticipation in their case of the de-rating benefits, it will be practically impossible for the coasters to recover this traffic when the full de-rating scheme comes into operation, with the result that a considerable proportion of our coasting fleets may go out of commission and the nation may be the poorer by the loss of those services."

"As matters stand, however, it is essential that the Government should find some means of preserving the coastal services for the nation and it is suggested that this could most readily be done by granting a block grant either to the dock authorities or direct to coastal shipping to tide over the period.

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EMPEROR OF FRANCE	Apr. 10	Apr. 13	Apr. 16	Apr. 18	Apr. 21
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	May 1	May 4	May 7	May 9	May 15
EMPEROR OF ASIA	May 15	May 18	May 21	May 23	June 1
EMPEROR OF FRANCE	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	June 22
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 20	June 29	July 2	July 4	July 13
EMPEROR OF ASIA	July 10	July 13	July 16	July 18	July 27
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MIRZAPORE	6,715	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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MANY COMPLEX TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

PORT HAS LOST

In a report to be issued shortly by the Regional Plan Association of New York and its Environs, which embodies the results of a study made as part of a complete survey of the New York region, the adoption of some comprehensive plan of port improvement is advocated.

Development of port facilities, the report states, has been mostly in the nature of temporary expedients and not calculated to offer a permanent solution of the traffic problem. While attributing part of the decline in New York's proportion of the nation's tariff to the expansion of foreign trade in other parts of the country, the report says that one reason for the decline, and perhaps the chief reason, has been the failure to improve the port's facilities at a rate commensurate with the rate of expansion of the nation's business.

"Since 1890," says the report, "while New York's commerce has increased greatly and the population of the city has grown to more than 6,000,000, the port has lost relatively, its percentage of exports and imports for the most part slowly, but steadily declining, except during the early years of the war. The excessive congestion arising from the sudden increase of trade during the war emphasised more than ever the inadequacy of the facilities and methods employed to handle traffic within the port."

"Much, however, has been done by the Port Authority and the city to alleviate the condition brought about by the concentration of commerce along the Manhattan water-

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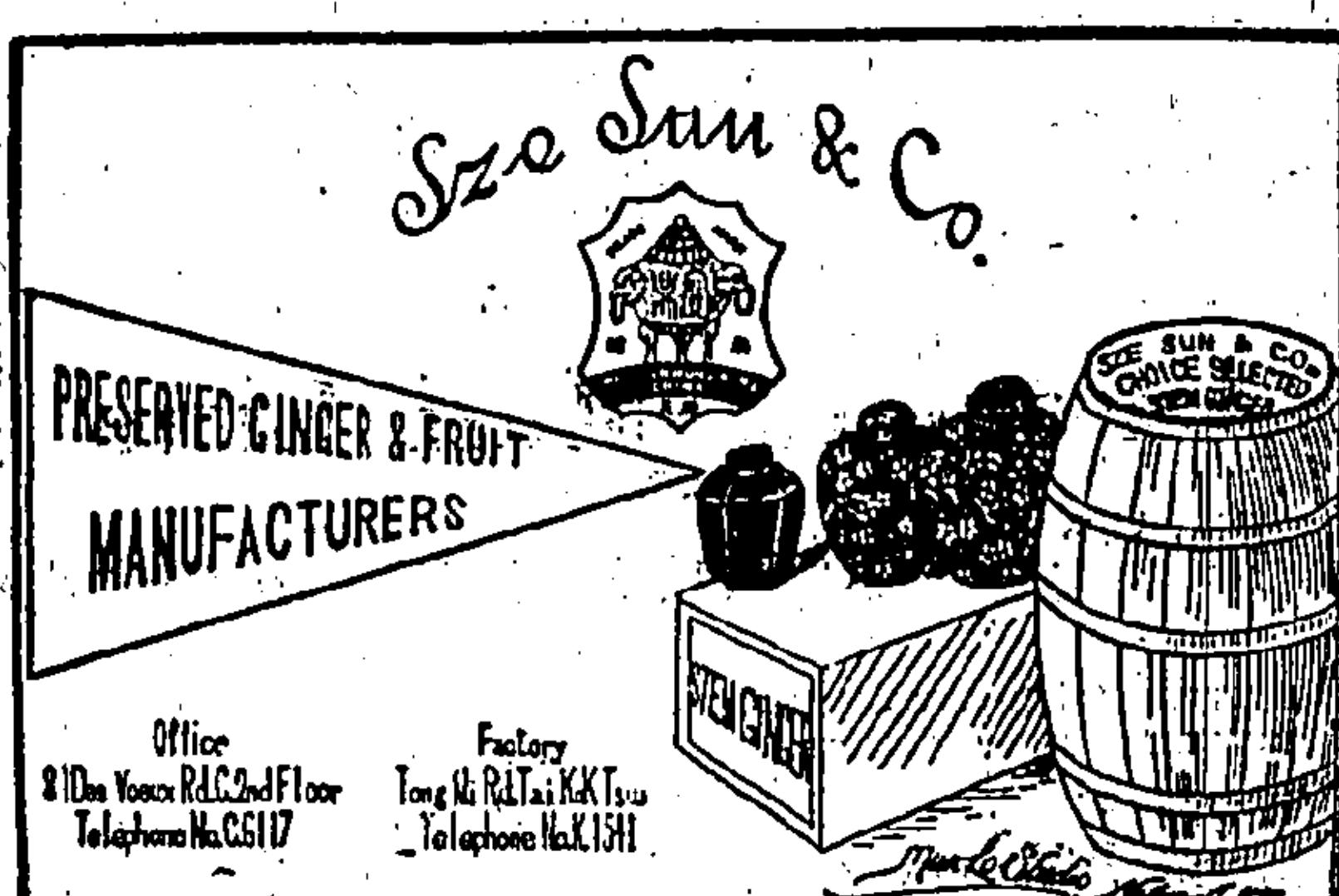
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**THE LATEST SPANISH
"COUP"**

That there has been another attempt to overthrow the Spanish Government and that the coup has been unsuccessful, like its predecessors, proves two things, namely, that the Government with General Primo di Rivera as its head still has many enemies and that it is strong enough to resist opposition. This latest rising, which took place in Ciudad Real (a province of Central Spain) occurred as suddenly as the other abortive coup and, stranger still, it found the Government forces, ready to cope with it effectively. General di Rivera evidently is under no delusion as to his position in Madrid and gives every indication that he does not intend to be caught napping. The previous attempt to oust him—and it is almost certain that the risings are against General Sanchez Guerra, who has just been detained in a military prison at Torres de Cuarte, Valencia. Senior Guerra, it will be remembered, was mentioned in connection with the last abortive plot against the Dictator, which took place no less recently than last September. Presumably, the Dictator and his colleagues are of opinion that the ex-Premier is also mixed up in the present revolt and have evidently concluded that the time has arrived for some definite step to be taken to curb his activities. It is a dangerous step they have taken, as the ex-Premier has probably a large following throughout Spain, who are sure to be incensed by the action taken against their leader. Important and perhaps startling developments may be expected.

As a particularly interesting sidelight to the present abortive "coup" is the arrest of ex-Premier Sanchez Guerra, who has just been detained in a military prison at Torres de Cuarte, Valencia. Senior Guerra, it will be remembered, was mentioned in connection with the last abortive plot against the Dictator, which took place no less recently than last September. Presumably, the Dictator and his colleagues are of opinion that the ex-Premier is also mixed up in the present revolt and have evidently concluded that the time has arrived for some definite step to be taken to curb his activities. It is a dangerous step they have taken, as the ex-Premier has probably a large following throughout Spain, who are sure to be incensed by the action taken against their leader. Important and perhaps startling developments may be expected.

Religion that will endure is that which is open to new truths. If churches do not keep open minded they will get into the backwash and go out. Others will develop and take their places; it will still be religion, but it will not keep the old name. — Robert A. Millikan.

Dr. T. C. S. will distribute his book "The Devil's Bazaar" this evening in the hall of the Hong Kong Girls' School, 54, Jervois Street, Hong Kong, at 8 p.m. The book is a collection of short stories, mostly of a satirical nature, and practically

Mr. W. L. Plew has been appointed Manager of the St. Francis Hotel.

The annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society will be held in the Cathedral Hall this evening at 5.30 p.m.

An extraordinary meeting of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held in the City Hall, to-morrow at noon.

The ordinary annual meeting of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd. will take place at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Friday, February 16, at 12.30 p.m.

H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi) will perform the opening ceremony at the new Alice Memorial Hospital, Bonham-road, at 3.30 p.m. on Monday next.

Mr. H. H. Rose, of the P.W.D., Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bottomley and Mrs. Witchell (widow of "Bob" Witchell) returned to the S.S. "Macedonia" yesterday by the S.S. "Macedonia."

Hong Kong Horticultural Society's annual show will be held at the Volunteer Headquarters on the 21st instant. Entries close on the 18th instant in the Secretary's office.

The Rev. Father Byrne, S.J., will distribute the University certificates to the successful candidates of the French Convent School, Causeway Bay, on Thursday, February 7, at 4 p.m.

DAYLIGHT ROBBERY

CARRIED OUT IN BROAD
DAYLIGHT

A BUG HAUL

A daring armed robbery was carried out yesterday afternoon by several desperados at No. 1, Lower Castle-road, off Caine-road, occupied by a wealthy Chinese family.

Two men appeared first, one carrying two revolvers and the other a dagger and revolver. They said that they had come to borrow \$100. Those in the house at the time were Mrs. Wong Leung-tze, aged about 70 years, her grand-daughter and son-in-law, besides several servants.

How the robbers managed to enter the house is not known. They suddenly appeared in the old lady's room at 2.50 p.m., whilst she was giving instructions to the cook. She had her wardrobe open. Before the old lady could recover from her surprise at the audacious request for a loan by the two strangers, three other men came in.

The five had no difficulty in binding and gagging the inmates of the house. Then the place was thoroughly ransacked, the raiders getting away with jewellery, money and other property valued at \$40,607.00.

In her report to the police, Mrs. Wong states that an aman named Ah Hing, who had been employed in the house for the month, went out at 6 p.m. on Wednesday and did not return. She suspects her of having been connected with the robbery.

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FURTIVE TRAFFIC IN
PORNOGRAPHY

From time to time complaints reach this office, says "Truth" about the rather furtive traffic in indecent pictures. In newspapers of indifferent reputation advertisements are inserted offering for sale reproductions of pictures in various famous picture galleries. These reproductions are almost invariably of "nude figures" and those who apply for them soon discover that they are offered other "albums" of pictures of a more exciting kind, most of the originals of which have never been on the walls of any picture gallery. In other words, they are pornographic, and the comparatively innocuous ones which are advertised in the first place are merely the means of getting into touch with those whose tastes run in the direction of the obscene.

Silence or Denunciation

The same thing can be said with equal truth of publishers of nasty books. I forbear to give names, for the simple reason that to do so would be to give a gratuitous advertisement to these nasty-minded gentrified. I see, by the way, that Mr. James Douglas, in writing his history of communism, has learned that which is open to new truths. If churches do not keep open minded they will get into the backwash and go out. Others will develop and take their places; it will still be religion, but it will not keep the old name. — Robert A. Millikan.

Religion that will endure is that which is open to new truths. If churches do not keep open minded they will get into the backwash and go out. Others will develop and take their places; it will still be religion, but it will not keep the old name. — Robert A. Millikan.

Dr. T. C. S. will distribute his book "The Devil's Bazaar" this evening in the hall of the Hong Kong Girls' School, 54, Jervois Street, Hong Kong, at 8 p.m. The book is a collection of short stories, mostly of a satirical nature, and practically

WARMING WEAR
GREATCOATS FOR INDIAN
POLICE

CHANGE IN UNIFORM

Black greatcoats for Indian Police men on duty have made their appearance on the streets in place of the old capes which were only worn for protection from rain.

Members of the European continent have had greatcoats for some years, but the wearing by Indian officers of the garment, obviously for keeping warm in, is an innovation.

A GOOD SMACKING

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

AT 20

COUPLE CHARGED

At London Sessions Leonard Thomas Walter Clifton, a boot repairer, and Eliza Noble Bell, a domestic servant, both 20 years old, were charged with attempting to commit suicide. They had been on half since their commitment from Lambeth Police Court on Dec. 7.

Mr. J. F. Eastwood, prosecuting, said that the youth and the girl were both of the highest character. Clifton had a boot repairing business which he was paying for by instalments, and had worked hard and kept his payments up. The girl had worked hard in domestic service.

The couple were engaged to be married, and had bought some of their furniture. They were together during the evening of Nov. 11, and when Clifton's parents went to bed they thought he was in his room. Next morning Mr. Clifton senior found his son and Miss Bell unconscious in the bedroom. Two gas jets were both turned on.

A letter was found in the room and signed "Mr. and Mrs. L. Clifton was to be" read: "We find life hard to live so we will take the best way out. Wishing all our friends the best of luck and happiness." On the reverse side of the letter was written, "I hate to do this, but it is the best way out for us. Please pay Albert, my friend, 25¢ for the stove. Money at the shop. L. Clifton."

There were also two photographs with the following writing on the backs:

"Please we wish to be put together as we are found, as we are happier together. I was told by a gipsy I would die before I was 21, and all she told me as yet has come true. It would be an unnatural death. (Signed) May."

"Obviously what these two young people want is a good smack, but unfortunately they are too old for your lordship to administer that," Mr. Eastwood remarked to the Chairman, Sir Robert Wallace, K.C.

Sir Robert: I leave that to you, Mr. Eastwood. (Laughter.)

Mr. Eastwood: I should be very pleased to give it to both of them. (Laughter.)

Detective-Inspector Cory said that when he asked the accused why they attempted to commit suicide, Clifton said that he got into debt and was worried about paying off the instalments on his business. The couple owed their lives to the fact that this was a slot meter and the supply of gas ran out. If the gas had been on all night they would both have died.

Addressing the accused, Sir Robert Wallace said: "I am sure you do not intend to do anything of this kind again."

"No, my lord," the youth and the girl replied together.

In binding them over, Sir Robert Wallace remarked: "You are proposing to get married and you are getting on in business, so do your best."

YOUNG CHUNG

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT
GIRLS' SCHOOL

The annual distribution of prizes of the Young Chung Girls' College was held in the Ko Shing Theatre yesterday. The prizes were given away by Mr. Yu Wan, B.A., of the Education Department, and the certificates by Miss Cheung Yuk-mui, the headmistress.

Miss Cheung read the school report and referred to the increase in the number of girls during the year from 480 to 560. It was also stated that the graduates attended the Capital Works under the Docks Committee.

The presentation was followed by some interesting dramatic displays by the girl students, headed by the members of the Girls' Work Athletic Association.

The results in giving of over \$20,000,000, according to the chairman, Mr. T. C. S., in the last year, were as follows: Mr. D. T. C. S. and Mr. T. C. S. recommended that an assistant general manager should be appointed.

MACDONA PRAYERS

TO STAGE "THE PHILANDERS"
AT KOWLOON

DOING WELL IN SHANGHAI

The Macdonald Players are giving a farewell performance in the Star Theatre, Kowloon, on the 16th instant.

Mr. Thomas A. Randall, the advance manager of The Macdonald Players, who is passing through Hong Kong on the s.s. "Mores," informs us that the Company are playing to big houses in Shanghai.

The Company will be returning to Singapore on the s.s. "Kashgar" and arrangements have been made for them to perform on the night the ship will be in Hong Kong.

The play to be staged is "The Philanderer," a new play for Hong Kong. It will be the last opportunity to see this popular company perform.

Booking opens on Tuesday, 5th instant, at the Star Theatre, and Messrs. Moutrie's.

CUNARD CO.

THREAT OF LEGAL
ACTION IN U.S.A.

New York.—Another phase in the fight between the Cunard Line and the American shipping interests to secure for the British part of the winter tourist trade to Havana developed with the publication of a letter sent by Mr. Robert Blake, associate director of the Cunard Steamship Company, to Mr. T. V. O'Connor, chairman of the United States Shipping Board. Mr. Blake wrote:

"Your publicity has been full of references to your announced endeavour to drive the 'Caronia' out of the New York-Havana trade. We may find it necessary if we are damaged to any appreciable extent to appeal to the Courts for relief."

The Shipping Board, he says, has placed the liner "President Roosevelt" on the Havana route.

Mr. Blake goes on to say that the Cunard Line for the sake of peace made its rates 10 per cent. higher than those of the American Ward Line. The latter company, however, announced a 25 per cent. decrease, reducing its minimum from New York to Havana to \$24 as against the Cunard's \$35. The American United Fruit Company also announced a 25 per cent. reduction.

In objecting to the discrimination against the Cunard Line, Mr. Blake points out that the United Fruit Company operates two British ships in the New York-Cuba trade.

"Never before," he says, "has any Government tried to

QUEEN'S COLLEGE

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surface of the earth, has given a new impetus to the subject, and I am glad to say that this coincides with efforts in the University to enlarge the curriculum there in this most important subject. And we look forward to the placing of geography and history in the matriculation and such like examinations on a par with chemistry and physics for scholarship purposes as they are no less valuable in cultural content and mental discipline.

Ever since 1913 we have kept meteorological readings taken by the boys every morning at 9 a.m. These include temperature, rainfall, humidity, and barometric pressure, and are published monthly in the "Yellow Dragon." For a couple of years also we published graphs at the end of the year; but we found this too expensive.

Fairest Test.

In earlier years for some years I regret to say we abandoned geography altogether as a school subject. This was owing to the exigencies of the Oxford Local Examinations. To pass in the whole examination passes in a least 5 or 6 subjects were essential. Geography might be chosen as one of these, but it was a very difficult subject to be sure of getting boys through in and was neglected in favour of other subjects which were easier.

The year's work has been unbroken and on the whole successful. As usual for promotions at the end of the year we conducted examinations. Where there are large numbers to deal with an examination seems the fairest and most satisfactory test available.

Examinations.

In the Lower School 83.8 per cent. passed as against 80.5 per cent. last year. In the Upper School we only examined Class 3 (Classes 2 and 1 being examined under the Junior Local and Matriculation Board). In Class 3, 123 boys were examined, and of these 84, or 43.9 per cent. passed. In 1927 63.5 per cent. passed. This examination was purposely stiffened somewhat, as the candidates who had been presenting themselves for the Junior Local Examinations seemed scarcely fit to cope with the work they were being examined on.

I am well aware that results are not always the best test of work, and that there are limitations to the application of the adage, "by their fruits ye shall know them," but again we have done very well both in the Junior Local and in the Senior Local and Matriculation Examinations.

Varsity Exam. Results.

Eighty-three boys sat for the Junior Local Examination of these 63 passed (or 63.8 per cent.) gaining 41 distinctions. Last year (1927) we presented 67 pupils of whom 36 passed (i.e. 53 per cent.) gaining 44 distinctions, and in 1926 we presented 51 pupils of whom 22 passed (i.e. 43 per cent.) gained 8 distinctions.

In the Senior Local and Matriculation Examination 86 candidates sat, and of these 24 passed or 66.2/3 per cent., eight of them obtaining honours with a total of 21 distinctions: whereas last year we had only one who reached the standard of honours and eight distinctions. Although we did not gain the King Edward Scholarship this year this result in the honours standard is much better than anything we have done so far.

Reputation Enhanced.

It is especially gratifying to be able to point this out because it indicates the constant painstaking work of the whole staff whom I wish to thank for their loyal cooperation and on whom falls the brunt of the grind and drudgery which do not appear.

We are pleased also to see that those who have left us still do us credit and enhance the reputation which they have already gained. Among those who received degrees at the recent University Congregation no fewer than eight were former pupils of this College. We extend to them our hearty congratulations on their success. In the Medical School, too, Mak Kai-cham, a Morison Scholar of a couple of years ago, gained the Bellios Scholarship. To all these and many others we look forward for a future full of promise and achievement.

Prize List.

The list of awards was as follows:

Senior Morrison Scholarship: Li Ka-tung.

Intermediate Morrison Scholarship: Harbans Singh.

Blake Scholarship: Chow Kok-sik.

Wright Scholarship: Yeung Shiu-chung.

Senior Bellios Scholarship: Li Fook-fai.

Ho Tung Scholarship: Lau Ping-kwong.

Ho Kong-tong Scholarship: Li Shing-yung.

Lee Hysan Scholarship: Young Teave-chee.

Ho Fook Scholarship: Li Ka-tin.

Junior Bellios Scholarship: Wat Kang-lim.

Lugard Scholarship: Chau Nai-chung.

Junior Morrison Scholarship: Chu Chee-chak.

A. J. May Scholarship: Ho Yui-kin.

Full Government Free Scholar for 3 years (Class 4-3):—1, Hung Yuen-wa.

Junior Morrison Scholarship: Chu Chee-chak.

A. J. May Scholarship: Ho Yui-kin.

Full Govt. Free Scholar (Class 5-4):—1, Ho Pak-hi; 2, Leung Sik-kwan.

Full Govt. Free Scholar (Class 5-4):—Ngan Chung-hon.

A. W. Grant Scholarship: Wong Kwok-choi.

Ho Wing Scholarship: Kwok Kam-lun.

Ho Iu Scholarship: Lui Tung-ki.

Woo Hay-tong Scholars (Class 6-5):—1, Pang Yin-hong; 2, Mok Chung-to.

Full Govt. Free Scholar (Class 6-5):—Ng Chi-keung.

Ho Kwong Scholarship: Chan Shiu-sun.

T. K. Dealy Scholarship: Lai Kam-tong.

Woo Hay-tong Scholars (Class 7-6):—1, Pun Hang-cheung; 2, Yuen Hin-li.

Full Govt. Free Scholar (Class 7-6): Yeung Iu-chung.

Ng Iu Scholarship: Wu Chi-po.

E. Ralphs Scholarship: Fung Yee-man.

Woo Hay-tong Scholars (Class 8-7):—1, Chan Wai-shu; 2, Pun Fai-tong.

Full Govt. Free Scholar (Class 8-7): Chan Pak-chun.

Tsang Chung Scholarship: Chung Kiu-sang.

Kong Ki-fai Scholarship: She Fai-cho.

Special Prizes

Ralphs Head Prefect Medal: Fung Tin-yau.

Macmillan Memorial Prize: Harbans Singh.

Henry G. Leong Prize for Composition: So Kai-sang (Class 1); Lau Kwok-cheung (Class 2); Ikbal Singh (Class 3).

Rumjahn Prize for Literature: Chow Kok-sik.

Prize for Mathematics: Yeung Shiu-chung (Class 1); Yeung Teave-chee (Class 2).

Composition Prizes:—Class C1, Douglas Hunt; Class F.2B, Chan Cho-cheong; Class F.3A, Chau Nai-chung; Class C.3A, Wat Kang-lim.

History Prizes:—Class 1 Com., Jack Hunt; Class 2 Com., Li Shing-yung; Class S.F.A., Lau Sui-lun; Class S.F.B., Leung Sui-him; Class S.C.A., O Po-sheung; Class S.C.B., Yeung Kwok-ying; Non-C., Ikbal Singh.

Geography (Special Kadore Prize):—Class 1, Li Ka-tung; Class 2, Li Po-pun; Class 3, Leung Sau-him.

Woo Lai-woon Special Translation Prizes:—English to Chinese: Grade 1, Wat Kok-hi; Grade 2, O Po-sheung; Grade 3, Tsui Shiu-sha.—Chinese to English: Grade 1, Chow Kok-sik; Grade 2, Hung Man-chiu; Grade 3, So Ming-mun.

Special Vernacular Prizes:—1, Lau Hoo-tung (C.2A); 2, Chul Shiu-tsui (4A); 3, Koo Wong-wan (C.3A); 4, So Ming-mun (4A); 5, Chan Kim-ling (C.2B).

Prizes for distinctions in Matriculation and Senior Local:—

Li Ka-tung (4); Harbans Singh (4); Yeung Shiu-chung (3); Wong Mung-fay (2); Chow Kok-sik (1); Ling Kam-hon (1); So Kai-sang (1); Jack Hunt (1); Li Fuk-cho (1); Tam Yuk-tsun (1); Wat Kok-hi (1); Chow Ho-man (1).

Prizes for distinctions in the Junior Local:—

Lau Ping-kwong (4); Lau Kwok-cheung (3); Li Shing-yung (3); Tsang Wing-chi (3); Mok Ying-ki (3); Au Wai-sun (2); Chan Chu (2); Chan Cho-cheong (2); Li Wai-chit (1); Cheung King-ping (1); Lai Chi-cheung (1); Lau Hoo-tung (1); Li Po-pun (1); Tsang Fuk-shing (1); Wat Poon-yuen (1); Wat Kok-wing (1); Yeung Wal-wai (1).

Special Kadore Prize (Lower School):—Class 4, Hung Mung-fay; Class 5, Kwok Kam-lun; Class 6, Ng Chi-keung; Class 7, Yeung Iu-chung; Class 8, Chan Pak-chun.

Class Prizes (English):

F.1:—1, Wong Mung-fay; 2, So Kai-sang.

C1:—1, Douglas Hunt; 2, Jack Hunt.

F.2A:—1, Li Hau-mo; 2, Chan Chin.

F.2B:—1, Chan Cho-cheong; 2, Wat Kok-wing.

C.2A:—1, Lau Kwok-cheung; 2, Lau Hoo-tung.

C.2B:—1, Chan Kwok-ying; 2, Lau Ping-kwong.

F.3A:—1, Lau Sui-lun; 2, Chau Nai-chung.

F.3B:—1, Leung Sui-him; 2, Kwok Yue-chun.

C.3A:—1, O Po-sheung; 2, Cheng Tin-po.

C.3B:—1, Chau Kai-tung; 2, Ip Kun-h.

C.3C:—1, H. W. Ho; 2, Ikbai Singh.

SHADOWS BEFORE, COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

NOTICES.

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Agents: Hong Kong, 1st Feb., 1929.

Feb. 2—Star Theatre: Children's Matinee, "Old Clothes." 2.30 p.m. only.

Feb. 2—World Theatre: "Why Worry."

Feb. 2—Star Theatre: "Seventh Heaven."

Feb. 3—Star Theatre: "Seventh Heaven."

Feb. 3—Queen's Theatre: "Lost In The Arctic."

Feb. 4—World Theatre: "The Ring."

Feb. 4—Star Theatre: "Chang."

Feb. 6—World Theatre: "Campus Flirt."

Feb. 6—Star Theatre: "Rosita."

Feb. 6—Queen's Theatre: "Street Angel."

Feb. 7—Concert, organized by Mrs. L. C. F. Bellamy, at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Feb. 8—World Theatre: "The Denial."

Feb. 8—Star Theatre: "Bardeleys The Magnificent."

Feb. 16—Variety entertainment by the K.O.S.B. as farewell to Mrs. Luard, Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.

Feb. 19, 21, 22, 23—Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club presents "On Approval," at the Theatre Royal.

Land Sales

Feb. 4—At P. W. Offices, four lots of Crown land at Shamshui-poo, 3 p.m.

Lammerts' Auctions

Feb. 2—At 334, Kowloon Tong, valuable household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

Sports

Feb. 3—Gymkhana of 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers, at Kwant.

Feb. 9—Boxing Tournament at the City Hall, 9.15 p.m.

Feb. 9-10—Paperchase, etc. at Canton by invitation of Members of Canton Ride.

Feb. 11—Hong Kong Football Assn. Interport game: Hong Kong v. Shanghai, HKFC ground, 3.30 p.m.

Feb. 17—China New Year steeplechase meeting of Fanling Hunt, at Kwant race course.

Feb. 25, 26, 27 & Mar. 2—Hong Kong Jockey Club Annual Race Meeting.

Meetings

To-day—Monthly meeting of the Referees' Association at Chaplin's Hut, Scandal Pt., 6 p.m.

To-day—Annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

Feb. 2—Extraordinary meeting of Shareholders of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, City Hall, noon.

February 5—Forty-first ordinary general meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 12.30 p.m.

Feb. 8—Annual ordinary meeting of Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11 a.m.

Feb. 16—Tenth ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., at Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building (5th floor), 8 p.m.

Feb. 16—Annual meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Realty & Trust Co., Ltd., Exchange Bldg., 2nd floor, Dr. J. W. Reid, Ct. No. 1.

Feb. 23—Further extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, City Hall, 12.45 p.m.

Miscellaneous

Feb. 2—Annual distribution of Prizes at Ellis Kadore School for Indians, 10 a.m.

Feb. 4—Lantern Slide lecture at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Feb. 6—Rev. Fr. P. Joy, S.J., speaks on "Religion of the Fathers of Freedom" at St. Patrick's Hall, 5 Garden Road, 8.30 p.m.

Feb. 10—Lecture on "The Religion Of To-day And The Science Of To-morrow" by Rev. Fr. R. Gallagher, S.J., at St. Patrick's Hall, 5 Garden Road, 8.30 p.m.

Feb. 20—At St. Patrick's Hall, 5 Garden Road, the Rev. Fr. P. Joy, S.J. lectures on "A Book And Its Story," 8.30 p.m.

Feb. 22—Lecture on "The Foundation Stone of the Kowloon Branch of Chinese YMCA."

Feb. 27—Lecture at St. Patrick's Hall, 5 Garden Road, on "The Foreign Slave Trade," by Rev. Fr. P. Gallagher, S.J., 8.30 p.m.

Feb. 28—Lecture on "The Chinese Church of England," by Rev. Fr. P. Gallagher, S.J., 8.30 p.m.

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March 17—Lecture on "The Chinese Church of England," by Rev. Fr. P. Gallagher, S.J., 8.30 p.m.

March 18—Lecture on "The Chinese Church of England," by Rev. Fr. P. Gallagher, S.J., 8.30 p.m.

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The "Overland China Mail," which is the weekly edition of the "China Mail" and the only illustrated weekly news budget published in Hong Kong, is finding increasing favour all over the world. This week's issue contains a number of very interesting articles and reports and will be highly acceptable in other parts of the world. Among the most important are:—

Inquiry into the circumstances attending the wreck of the s.s. "Hsinwah," with much loss of life outside the Colony. The rescue of a crew adrift at sea by the s.s. "Helios" (Captain Olsen).

Robbery of an American lawyer, Mr. Barry Eastham, and Mrs. Eastham, on the road between Peking and Tientsin.

Capture of Mr. Edward Young, a missionary, by Communists in the south of Kwangsi.

A special article on railways in Kwangtung, following the transfer of control to the Ministry of Railways in Nanking.

As usual, the week's news, "local" and "China," and the week's pictures, will be found in the "Overland." Be sure to get your copy in time for posting.

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THE VOLUNTEERS

CORPS ORDERS ISSUED FOR THE WEEK

ANNUAL INSPECTION

Orders for the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps this week, issued to-day by Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O. (Administrative Commandant) read as follow:—

The G. O. C. will inspect the Corps on Friday, Feb. 22 on Murray Parade Ground at 5.30 p.m.

The Corps will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. as for ceremonial, in four Companies.

No. 1 Company under Captain F. Syme Thomson, composed of The Battery, Engineer Company, Signals, Reserve Company (less Scottish Reserves).

No. 2 Company, under Captain E. J. R. Mitchell, composed of M. I. Company, Armoured Car Section, Motor Cycle Section, Machine Gun Company.

No. 3 Company, under Captain K. S. Morrison, composed of Scottish Company, Scottish Reserves.

No. 4 Company, under Captain R. R. Davies, Portuguese Company, Officer for King's Colour, 2/Lieut. M. A. Johnson, M.M.

Officer for Regimental Colour, 2/Lieut. H. R. Forsyth.

Dress: Corps Review Order—

Helmet, khaki tunic, shorts, black boots, puttees, hose-top, belt rifle and bayonet, medals, Scottish Company will comply.

Practice Parade.—There will be a practice parade in uniform on Murray Parade Ground on Tuesday, February 19. Parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

The parade Ground at Volunteer Headquarters will be available for Companies to hold practice parades in mutt as follows:

No. 1 Company—Monday, Feb. 4.

No. 2 Company—Tuesday, Feb. 5.

No. 3 Company—Thursday, Feb. 14.

No. 4 Company—Friday, Feb. 15.

Band—Wednesday, Feb. 13.

All ranks are required to attend the G. O. C.'s Inspection unless specially exempted by The Commandant.

Applications for exemption supported by sufficient documentary or medical evidence to be submitted through Company Commanders.

Officers Sword Drill.

All available Officers will parade under the Adjutant at 5.45 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters on Tuesday, Feb. 5 and Thursday, Feb. 7.

Dress: Multi, swords.

Musketry

The Engineer Company and Corps Signals will fire Table "T" at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, Feb. 3.

Range Officer: 2/Lieut. R. D. Read.

Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Musketry Order i.e. rifle, belt, bayonet, braces and pouches. Uniform or mutt optional.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, Feb. 1, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, 2 and 4 p.m. or 5 and 6 p.m. and on Saturday, February, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Corps Band

The Band will parade at full strength at Headquarters on dates as hereunder:

Tuesday, Feb. 5.—Lecture Room, Wednesday, Feb. 6.—Marching on Parade Ground.

The Battery

Monday, Feb. 4. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for practice for G. O. C's Inspection.

Dress: Drill order mutt.

Engineer Co.

Monday, Feb. 4. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for practice for G. O. C's Inspection.

Dress: Drill order mutt.

Portuguese Co.

Friday, Feb. 8. The Company will be expected to parade as strong as possible at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Dress: Uniform optional. Arms, rifle, belt and bayonet.

Recruits. All recruits will parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday, Feb. 4, at 5.30 p.m.

Dress: As for Company Parade, Rifle Club. Reference Company Orders of Corps Orders of last week para. 12. The date should read Feb. 24.

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Scottish Co.

Thursday, Feb. 7 at 5.30 p.m.

Nos. 5 and 7 Platoons will parade at Corps Headquarters for Squad and Arms Drill. Dress: Multi, rifle, belt and side-arms.

No. 6 Platoon will parade at Kowloon Dock for Squad and Arms Drill. Dress: Multi, rifle, belt and side-arms.

Practice Parade on Tuesday, Feb. 19, 1929.

Annual Inspection on Friday, Feb. 22.

Review Order for Scottish Company in spats, diced hose, flashes, kilt, sporan, tunic, glengarry, rifle, belt and sidearms.

Musketry Part II. The final opportunity for those who have not yet fired is Sunday, Feb. 17 at Tai-kuo. Details later.

Portuguese Co.

Friday, Feb. 8. The Company will be expected to parade as strong as possible at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Dress: Uniform optional. Arms, rifle, belt and bayonet.

Recruits. All recruits will parade at Corps Headquarters on Monday, Feb. 4, at 5.30 p.m.

Dress: As for Company Parade, Rifle Club. Reference Company Orders of Corps Orders of last week para. 12. The date should read Feb. 24.

Reserve Co.

Monday, Feb. 4. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for practice for G. O

SOCCER

League Programme Resumes

THE INTERPORT

Shield Matches and the Gate Money

[By "Rover"]

A full League programme with three 1st Division matches at Hong Kong and two at Kowloon, and the leading clubs running a neck and neck race in both divisions, is down for to-morrow as follows:-

Hong Kong League, Division I—kick-off 4.15 p.m.

Chinese Athletic v. Club, Club ground—referee, L.S.B.A. Atkinson, R.N.

K.O.S.B. Regt. v. Navy, Chatham-road—referee, Captain Austin, R.A.

Small Units v. Police, Sookumpoo—referee, Mr. F. Smith.

South China A.A. v. Kowloon A.F.C., Caroline Hill—referee, B.M. Kerslake.

Recreio v. Queen's Regt., King's Park—referee—C.P.O. Cowan.

Hong Kong League, Division II—kick-off 2.45 p.m.

K.O.S.B. Regt. v. Small Units, Sookumpoo—referee, Mr. Ip Kau-ko.

Queen's Regt. v. South China A, Chatham-road—referee, Mr. Stoakes.

Chinese Athletic v. South China B, Caroline Hill—referee, Pte. Lamb.

St. Joseph's v. R.A.F., St. Joseph's ground, Happy Valley—referee, A. B. Crawley.

R.A. Res. v. Navy Res., Chinese ground, Happy Valley—referee, Pte. Farnsworth.

Recreio v. Eastern, King's Park—referee, Coxn. Willis.

The Senior League competition resumes again on Saturday with five good matches, only the R.A. being out owing to a re-arrangement of fixtures.

The Club and Athletic match at the Valley should produce a good afternoon's sport, but the Club will miss Goldman very much, business exigencies compelling the return of this popular and clever player to Shanghai. The Club's chief sting in attack will be missing, but they should make the Athletic go all the way in a hard match although the Athletic should get the points.

At Sookumpoo, Small Units, unless the unexpected happens, should provide Police with two more points, as the Police are strengthening their team, and Howarth and Pile will both be available in the near future, if not on Saturday. Police with a spare man or two will be a hard lot to hold till the end of the season and are making a bold bid for the championship.

The other match at Hong Kong is at Caroline Hill, where Kowloon are the visitors. The Railways team has been showing steady form since the early part of the season, and should give South China a very hard game. South China are finding the return matches with the various clubs much sterner than the earlier ones, and naturally as leaders in the League meet the strongest opposition, as leadership, is oftentimes more difficult to retain than to obtain.

South China won the last match at Kowloon rather easily, playing brilliant football, but they show lately a slight failing off, and unless they can get their old-time confidence back, Kowloon may spring a surprise. Chances, however, favour the Home-side and if they can produce their best form they should secure full points.

Kowloon has two senior League matches on Saturday, the Repréio and Queen's Regt. match should be a fine one. Queen's won on the last occasion they visited King's Park, but have lately fallen slightly from grace. A return of their old form on Saturday should just give them the advantage and

The fight for the championship in the first Division is very keen, South China is still leading with Queen's and Athletic holding good records. Police also are in the running and although Navy have a very outside chance of getting in the first four their good form lately points to many upsets in the League table before the end of the season.

Jottings

With the announcement of the Shanghai Interport Team visiting Hong Kong, also the probable constitution of the Hong Kong Interport XI, the Interport match is now the big sporting event of the Soccer world. With only another week to go, chances in the Hong Kong XI are not probable, unless weather conditions necessitate a last hour reschedule. The Interport XI as selected played very well on Wednesday against a good Navy XI and a feature of the game was the bright play of the Interport forwards. On most Hong Kong grounds, and in Hong Kong's usual conditions Birkham, Fung, Gosano, Suen and Chan will take a lot of beating as a forward line and are certainly our best.

Remedios, McElvie and Lau are as good as the best we have got in the half back line, although I would still have preferred Hudson's experience and judgment to Remedios, who is but a youngster yet, for these matches, but who played in the last Shanghai match down here and did well.

Wynne and Bishop are a good pair. The Club man can always be relied on for a bit above Club form in important matches and Clarke has yet to be beaten as our best all-round goalie. Under any weather conditions this team should not be beaten in Hong Kong, but I expect to see the Shanghai team turn out man for man much heavier excepting at full back.

Interport week should provide us with three rattling good Soccer matches, with the chief item on Monday, February 11, when it is hoped our chosen representatives will justify the good confidence of the selectors with a good win in a big sporting match.

In connection with the H.K.F.A. Council meeting held during the week Mr. R. M. Dyer, President of the F.A. was elected Chairman of the Interport Dinner to be held on Saturday of the Interport week. The Council meetings this year so far have been characterized by strong representation of all officials of the Association, absences having been the exception for only urgent reasons" and Mr. R. Hall Chairman has had the support of a full Council including the Naval and Military representatives, and invariably the presence of the President and Vice-President of the Association at all meetings.

The financial statements of the Association and associated competitions are presented monthly and controversial matters are given fair hearing. All clubs' interests are well considered.

The draw for the Senior shield second round which was made at the Council meeting resulted in four good fixtures as follows:-

Queen's v. K.O.S.B. Regt., Sookumpoo.

Athletic v. Kowloon, Club ground.

South China v. Navy, Caroline Hill.

Recreio v. Police, King's Park.

As the first Club in each case out of the hat has choice of ground and around all gate money in the rounds of the Shield, it will be seen that Recreio are again fortunate, the Navy who also survived the first round of the Shield being now drawn away.

An unwritten rule of the Shield competition provides no share of the gate for the visiting Club, and with Hong Kong Soccer so popular as it is, this rule at the next annual general meeting of the clubs certainly should be revised on a more fair basis.

Kowloon and Police certainly should support its amendment. The rules of the E.F.A. are not far wrong in this respect and Hong Kong should come in line.

GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

AT FANLING

8.44 a.m. A. E. Wood, R. H. Hollis.
8.56 " J. Thayer, R. K. Hepburn.
9.00 " C. B. Riggs, H. Spicer.
9.24 " L. Garner, S. A. Sleap.
9.28 " A. Leach, A. G. Coppin.
9.32 " Major Beamish, J. P. Warren.
9.36 " J. D. Thomson, K. S. Robertson.
9.40 " L. D. Beaumont, H. N. Laver.
9.44 " G. E. Ellams, L. Yates.
9.48 " W. R. Mansfield, G. Miskin.
9.52 " T. A. Martin, W. Clark.
9.56 " A. H. Ferguson, L. G. S. Dodwell.
10.00 " H. F. Birkham, W. D. Brown.
10.04 " S. T. Bullin, A. O. Brown.
10.08 " D. Forbes, J. Cameron.
10.12 " A. D. Humphreys, H. A. Lamert.
10.16 " C. L. Shank, H. Shantz.
10.20 " W. Beveridge, M. D. Scott.
10.24 " G. D. Black, F. A. Perry.
10.28 " F. M. Ellis, M. G. Mills.
10.32 " J. P. Sherry, A. W. Roberts.
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10.40 " W. L. Dunbar, A. E. Lissaman.
10.44 " G. W. Sewell, E. C. Frederick.
10.48 " J. Raikes, S. Berg.
10.52 " W. J. S. Key, H. G. Howard.
10.56 " C. J. Waddell, A. R. Cox.
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11.12 " D. J. Gilmore, N. K. Littlejohn.
11.16 " R. A. Campbell, T. L. Christie.
11.20 " D. M. Goodall, A. Morley.

RUGBY

THE FINAL INTERPORT TRIAL

The following will represent the Rugby Section of the H.K.F.C. in the final trial match versus United Services on the Club ground at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow:-

J. Ride; R. J. Clever, G. A. L. Plummer, V. W. L. Stanton, M. D. Scott; C. D. Wales (captain) J. L. Bonar, J. Milne-Day, H. F. Akhurst, W. Leckie, E. R. West, J. Riddell, W. Lithgow-Smith, R. P. Moodie, B. P. Massey. Referee: W. Beveridge, J. Merry. Judge: A. Gordon.

Lady Sheffield, who is ill at her London residence, 19, Hyde Park-street, was recently reported to be in a dangerous condition.

NOTICE

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

EXTRA MEETINGS, 1929.

Provisional Dates of Meetings.

9th March.
30th March & 1st April.
13th April.
27th April.
18th & 20th May.
12th & 14th October.
26th October.
16th November.
30th November.

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SCOTT WINS

ON FOUL AGAINST TED SANDWINA

BIG HOME INTEREST

London, Yesterday. In a 15-round heavyweight match at the Albert Hall Sandwina was disqualified for a foul on Phil Scott in the fifth round.

The fight was, beforehand, considered to be a stern test for the British Heavyweight Champion of both strength and punch, the young German-American, ex-circus performer, Sandwina, being very formidable.

There was tremendous interest in the bout and the hall was sold out.—Reuter.

MOTHER'S QUEST

SON DIES JUST BEFORE SHIP REACHES HOME

About 1,400 troops returning from foreign service just missed spending their Christmas in their homes, says the "Daily Mail" of Dec. 27. The transport "Somersetshire," which was expected on Monday evening, did not arrive at Southampton until 11.30 on Tuesday morning, so they had to be content with festivities on board.

There was a pathetic incident when the troops landed. A mother had come to meet her son who was in the Royal Scots. He was being invalided home from Shanghai. She knew that he had a leg amputated, but when she inquired for him she was told that he died on Tuesday morning.

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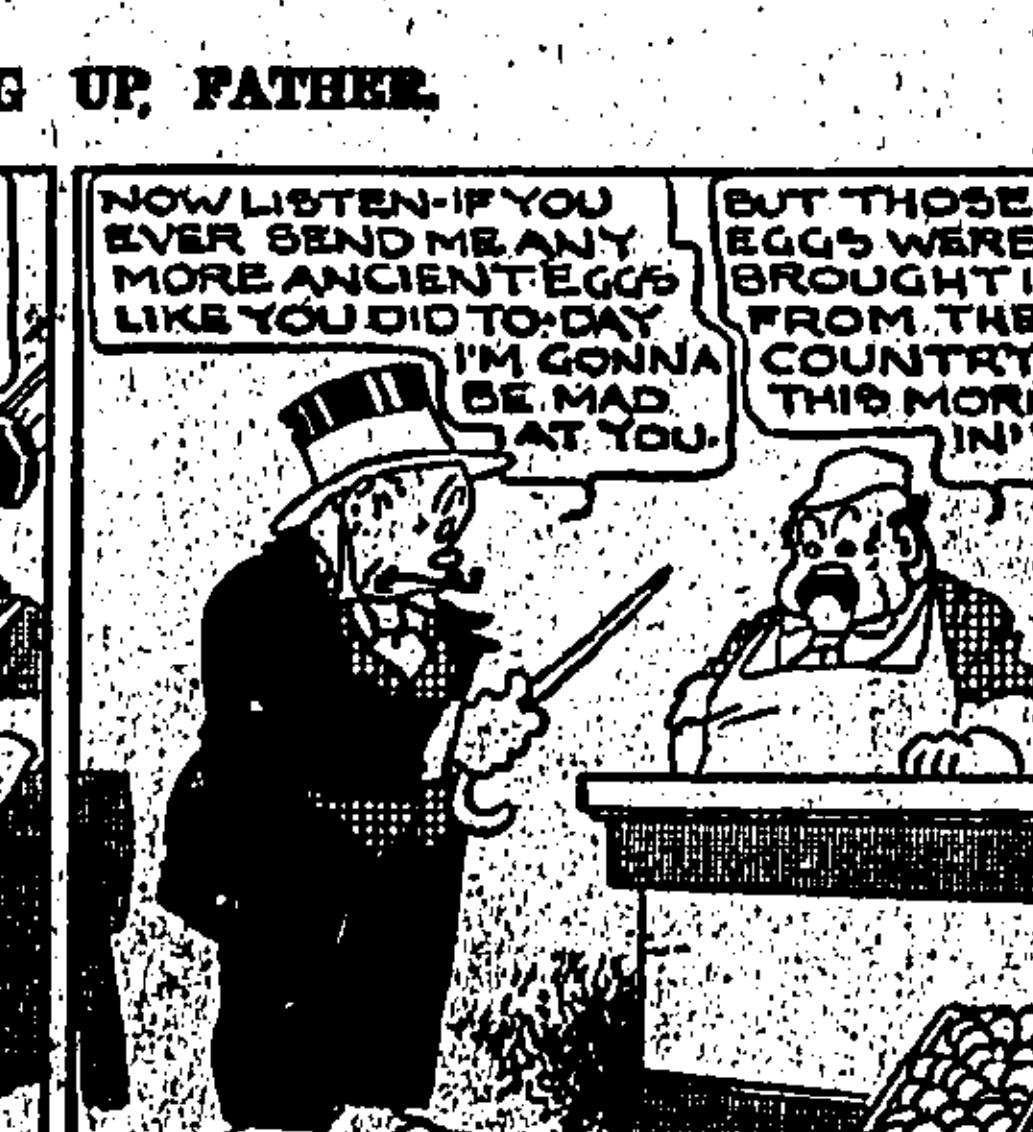
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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Alfonso and General Rivera



Here is an unusual photo of H.M. King Alfonso of Spain (right), and General Primo de Rivera, the Spanish dictator, taken during a royal hunt over the estate of the Count of Florida Blanca at Toledo. Notice the quaint national hunting skirt which the King is wearing.

Tom Mix



The famous cowboy screen star with his mount, Tony. His younger daughter, Thomasina, is in school in Europe.

Fires Tennis Balls in Bursts



Here is a "machine gun" which "Pop" Fuller, the University of California athletic coach, uses to fire tennis balls across practice courts. Pupils are thus enabled to concentrate on any stroke which they wish to build up, the ejector shooting the balls with almost the precision of a rifle. It is an adaptation of the apparatus perfected by Rene Lacoste, the great French player.

Seamen's Annual Dinner



The annual dinner to the Merchant Service was held by the Missions to Seamen, Shanghai, the S.V.C. Club, by permission of Col. H. Orpen-Palmer, Commandant of the S.V.C. Dean Trivett (President) was in the chair, supported by Mrs. Trivett, Col. Orpen-Palmer, Mr. P. W. Skeet (Secretary) and Rev. T. W. Hall (the Chaplain).—(Ah Fong.)

Alleged Girl Robber



The 19-years-old "Dashing Dora" Bragg in a denunciative pose outside a jail in Virginia, where she was detained on charges of complicity in a series of spectacular store robberies and hold-ups. She was arrested with a male companion when her motor car ceased to function during an escape.

Evelyn Brent



Of Hollywood, who recovered from influenza in time to enjoy the Christmas holidays.

Mary Astor



Another film star.

A Count on His Honeymoon



Count Folke Bernadotte of Sweden and his bride, the former Miss Estelle Manville, during their honeymoon in the south of the U.S.A. Inset: as they appeared at their wedding.

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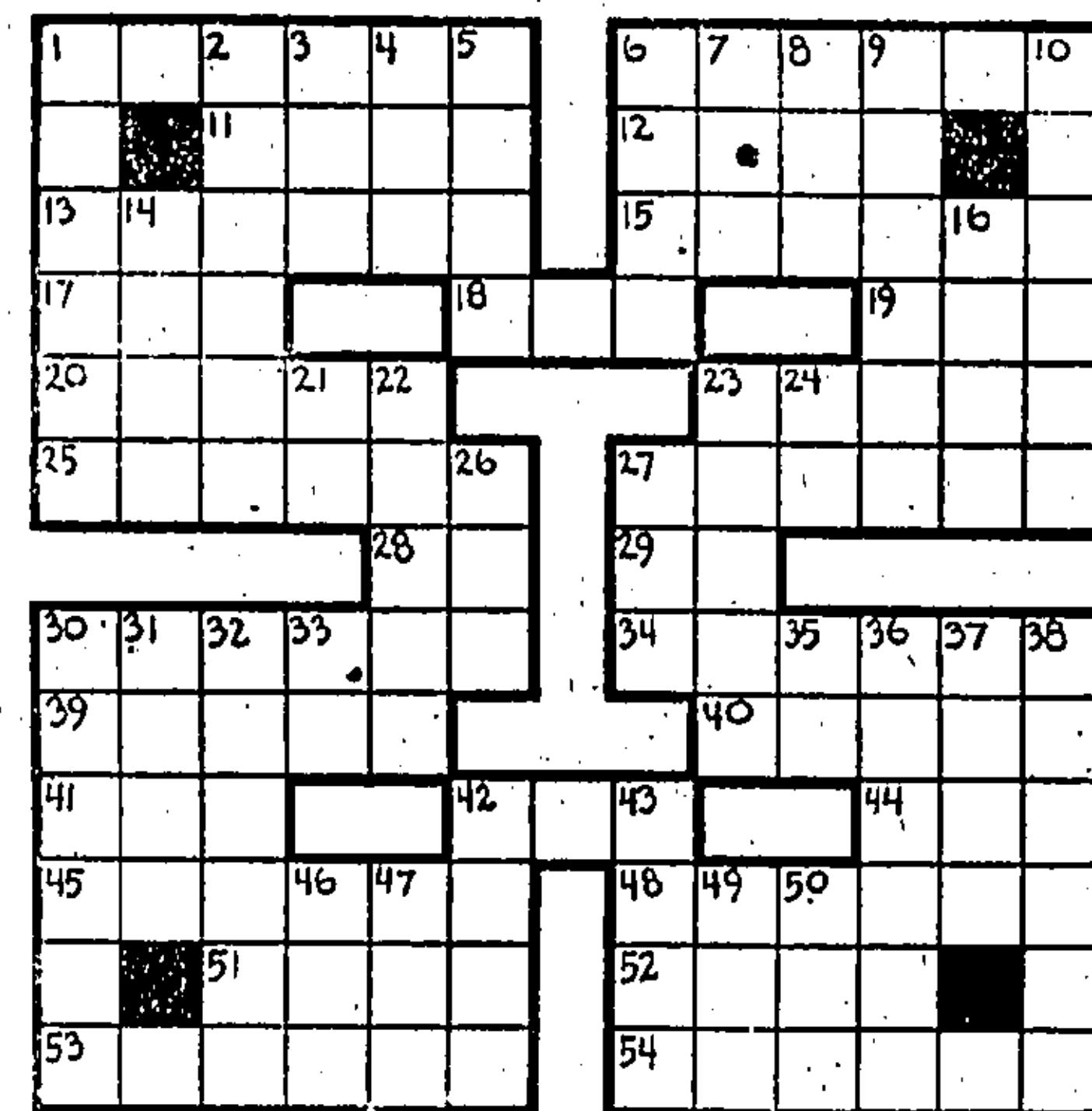
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1-Former coln of
Venice (pl.)
6-A volcanic rock
11-Approach to a mine
12-On (Latin)
13-Infected
15-Hairy
17-Anger
18-An American poet
19-Suffix. Same as
"en"
20-Etruscan household
gods
23-A famous English
admiral
25-The glossy coating
of teeth
27-Infected
28-Jumbled type
29-The king of Baham
30-A popular narrative
poem
34-Large river in New
Zealand
35-A spirit of the air
40-A mistake
41-A constellation
42-Intersection.
Contempt

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
44-A Hebrew high
priest
46-A great European
river
48-Daily allowances
for soldiers
(French)
51-A small English
school
52-A frog
53-To yield
54-A city in N. W.
France
VERTICAL
1-Easy to manage
2-chamber, as of
the heart
3-Unecessary
activity
4-It is (contr.)
5-To walk
6-Of a purplish-brown
7-One (Spanish)
8-Silent
9-A great Hebrew
prophet
10-Made smooth and
level
Massachusetts

VERTICAL (Cont.)
14-An easporth, N. W.
Algeria
16-To grasp
18-A type measure
22-Part of a flower
23-A military musical
instrument
24-Large (abbr.)
25-A hat (slang)
28-A fabulous bird
30-The Norse god of
summer sunlight
31-An open space
32-Man's name
33-The (French)
35-An ancient
Chaldean city
36-A large rock-boring
tool
37-A perforation
38-Goes up
42-Crooked
43-Mister (German)
44-An American Indian
47-Good (French)
48-To (Book)
50-A cape on coast of
Massachusetts

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"The Silver King," by Henry Arthur Jones, has been adapted for the screen by Fenn Sherle, and is to be produced at Criklewood by the Welsh-Pearson-Elder Company, under the direction of T. Hayes Hunter. The part of Wilfred Denner, with which the name of Wilson Barrett was so long associated, will be played by Percy Marmont, who recently returned to Britain from Hollywood. Bernard Nedell, the bootlegger of the stage play "Broadway," is to be the "Spider."

For the rest, where concerts are concerned, we have had visits from the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Furtwangler; the Budapest Orchestra, directed by Dolmetsch, and the Hallé Orchestra, whose playing, under Sir Hamilton Harty again showed what can be achieved in this country by a permanent orchestra in association with a permanent conductor of the first rank. The more keenly, therefore,

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

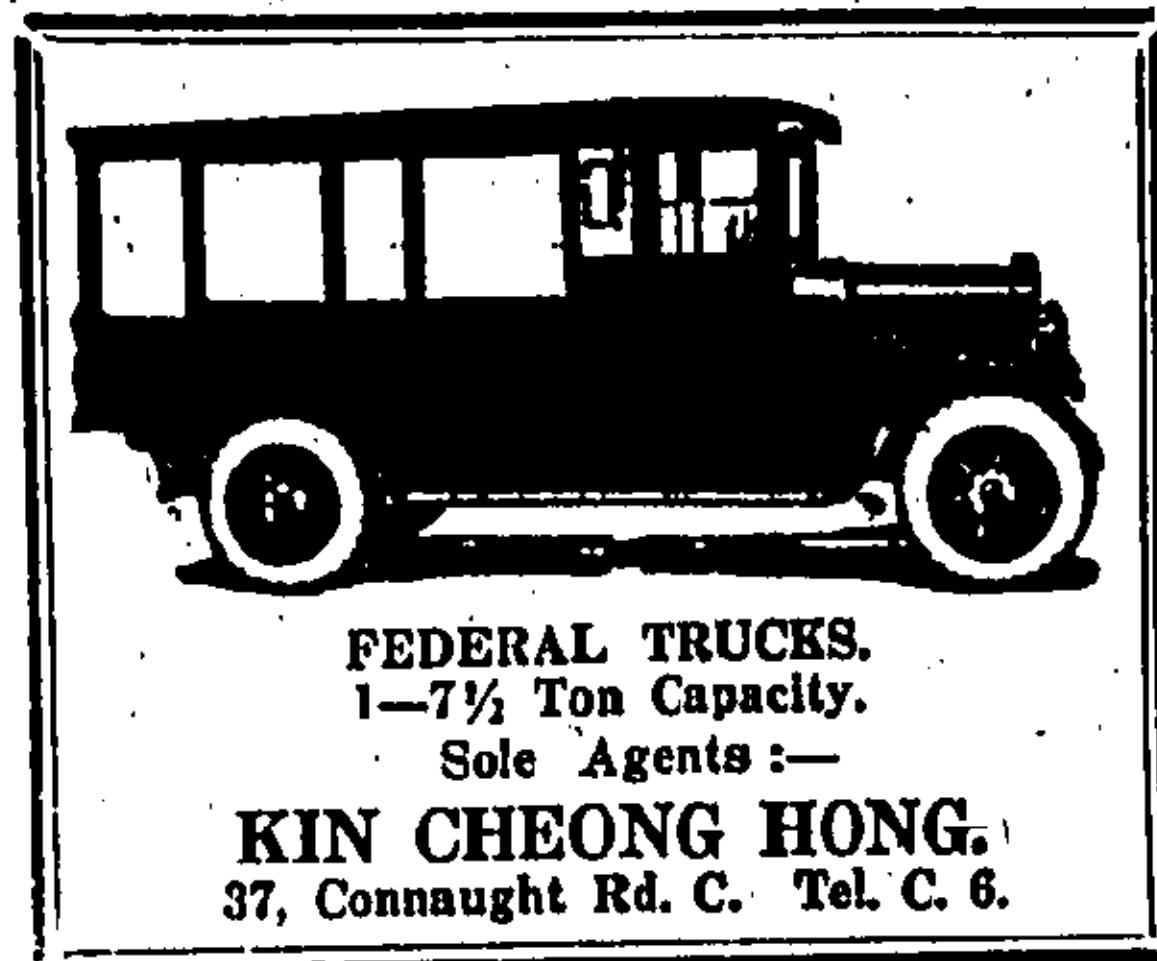
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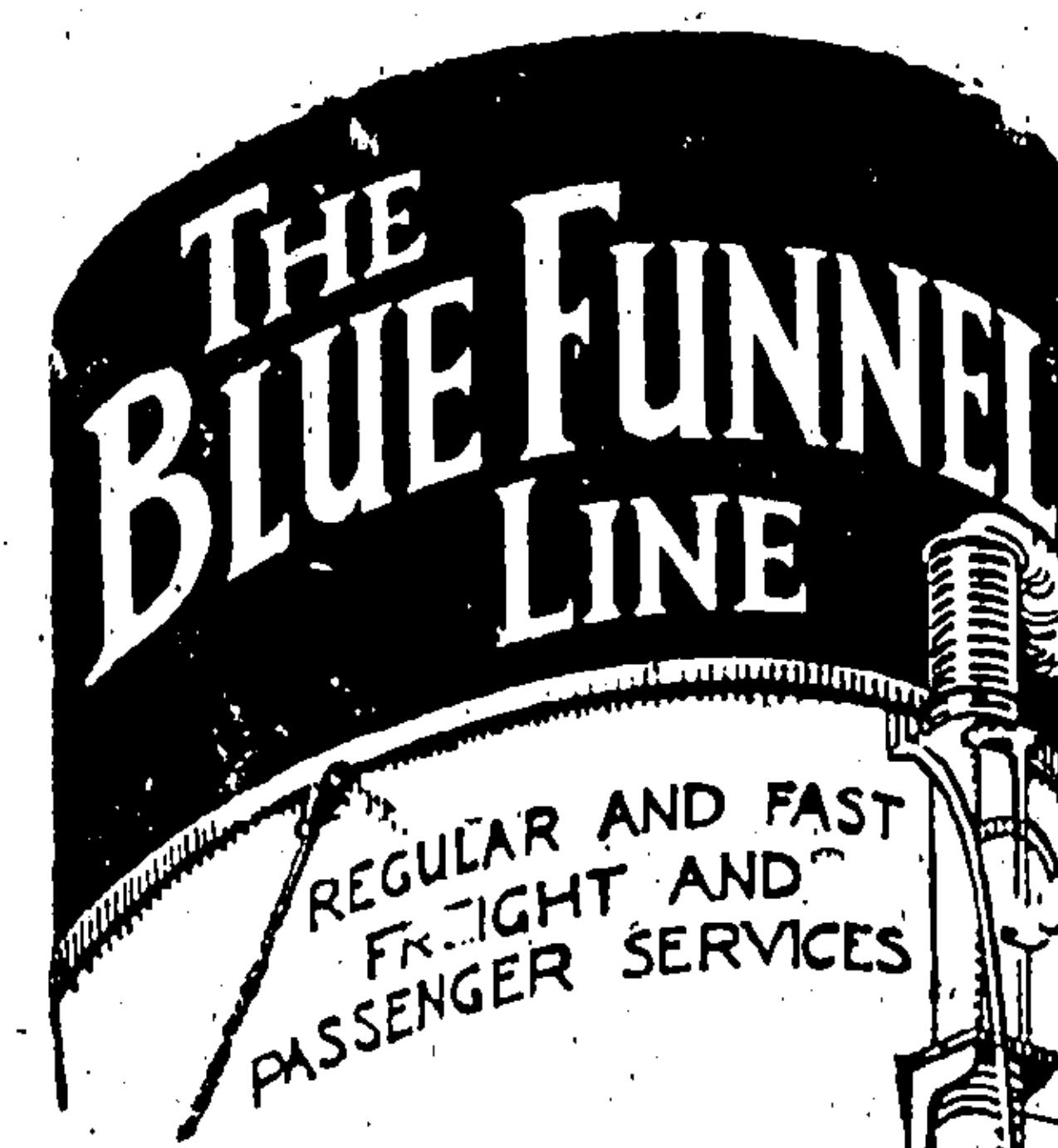
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For	Per	FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1.
Tourane		Chungkong 4:30 p.m.
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Swatow, Amoy and Formosa		Kulang 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow		Hydrangea 2 p.m.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4.		
Swatow		
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., U.S.S.R., America and Europe via Victoria, B.C. via Victoria, B.C.		
22th Feb., Parcels 3 p.m., Registration 4:15 p.m., Letters 5 p.m.		President Lincoln
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Registration 4:15 p.m., Letters 5 p.m.		
Swatow		
Antony		
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5.		
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong		Chinhu 8:30 a.m.
Correspondence bearing name only		

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"NO BUSINESS OF OURS"

U.S. CRUISER BILL
MR. BRIDGEMAN'S TALK ON NAVAL SITUATION

FAITH IN PACT

London, Yesterday. Speaking at the Constitutional Club on the naval situation Mr. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty said the Government's naval policy was as it always had been in this country, a Pacific policy. He did not subscribe to the view that an adequate British Navy was in any way a menace to the peace of the world. On the contrary, he regarded it as a great safeguard and our purpose was to be of use wherever we could. We had to ensure a free passage of sea not only for our raw materials but also for very food, on which our existence depended.

Prepared to Reduce

Our view of disarmament was that we were quite prepared to make a reduction of armaments so long as it left unimpaired that insurance against loss of the freedom of the seas which was essential to the very existence of the country.

We had made a great many reductions and we had agreed to make many more which had not always been accepted. We had done our part and more than our part in the direction of reductions.—British Wireless Service.

U. S. Cruiser Bill

"I have complete confidence that the nation which introduced the Kellogg Pact and the people who signed it will keep the peace of the world," added Mr. Bridgeman.

In regard to America's cruiser bill, he stated, it was no business of ours to interfere.—Reuter.

FAR EAST TRADE

CHINESE MERCHANTS SPEAK AT PARIS

INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER

London, Yesterday. The Preparatory Committee on Chinese questions appointed by M. Alberto Pirelli (President of the International Chamber of Commerce) to prepare for discussion at the congress of the Chamber at Amsterdam in July next, met at Paris on Jan. 26, 27, 28.

It was attended by a delegations of representatives of the National Association of Chinese Chambers of Commerce headed by Mr. Lone Liang.

Best Attention

The Committee was gratified to hear the programme agreed upon at Shanghai and Nanking, including the balancing of the Chinese budget, reduction of military expenditure etc., and discussed at length with the Shanghai delegates the basic financial, industrial and commercial problems of Chinese economics, and the development of commercial transactions.

The Chinese delegation asserted that the economic restoration of China and the development of international trade depended on China being treated by all nations on a footing of strict equality.

The Committee recorded the fact that the developments in China necessitated contemplating revision of the past regime in the interest of all parties. M. Pirelli stated that the International Chamber of Commerce will give its best attention to problems of the East.—Reuter.

"The Rose and the Ring,"

musical fantasy from Thackeray's book, was transferred to the Playhouse, London, last month.

TO-DAY ONLY

LON CHANEY

"THE UNHOLY THREE"

with MAE BUSCH and MATT MOORE

Organizing story

MAJESTIC

20, NATHAN

THE LAW COURTS
SESSIONS CASES CONTINUE NEXT WEEK

FORGERY TRIAL CHALLENGE

After consulting the jury, his Honour the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E.), presiding at the January Criminal Session to-day, announced that the Court would not sit to-morrow (in which event a number of Bankruptcy cases will be heard) and will resume on Monday at 10:30 a.m., or shortly afterwards as His Lordship expects to dispose of a civil action in a few minutes.

His Honour the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood), having returned from leave yesterday, sat in Summary Jurisdiction this morning and dealt with a long "Friday hearing list." His Lordship will be in Chambers to-morrow and will hear the last case in the January Sessions calendar on Monday.

"That is Absurd"

Mr. C. H. Eldridge of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Cor-

DRIZZLE OR MIST

N. winds, fresh, overcast, drizzle or mist in the forecast until noon to-morrow.

The anti-cyclone over S.E. Mongolia has strengthened further. The Indo-China depression has filled up. Strong monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and fresh monsoon over the N. China sea.

poration gave evidence this morning in the conspiracy case in which three men and a woman are charged on several counts in connection with the alleged forgery of \$50 banknotes. He described the notes seized as good imitations.

Mr. L. Sarraziola, of the Hong Kong Printing Press, also gave evidence, this in regard to a small printing machine seized by the Police.

"That is absurd," one of the prisoners who is conducting his own defence ejaculated when the witness differed from a suggestion made by him. Prisoner therupon challenged witness to "an experiment in Court."

Not Authorities

Prisoner put it to witness that printing signatures was a fine art, and not like printing, say, a visiting card.

Witness was also questioned as to the condition of ink on the disc after certain operations.

When the witness again differed, prisoner informed his Lordship that he wished to inform the Court that the machine could not be used for printing forged banknotes. His Lordship replied: "The jury and I are not authorities on the type of machine that can be used for forgery." (all in one)

Ultimately his Lordship ruled that the practical illustration in Court would serve no purpose.

Official from Canton

Another witness for the Crown was Mr. Ho Pui-shu, assistant superintendent of the Imitation Department of the head office in Canton of the Central Bank of China. His evidence related to allegations concerning zinc-blocks which were stated to be connected with Chinese banknote counterfeiting.

Mr. Somerset Mizroy (Assistant Attorney-General) is prosecuting. Attended by Mr. Alfonso Castro, Jr. (instructed by Mr. d'Alma), Mr. S. K. (defending one of the prisoners). Det. Sgt. W. H. in charge of the case.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on Feb. 1 was 270/178.

MONDAY

20, NATHAN

THE LONGEST AIR ROUTE

CROYDON KARACHI

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS PLAN A 5,000-MILE SERVICE

STARTING NEXT MONTH

London, Yesterday.

The provisional time table has been issued by the Imperial Airways of the longest organised air-route in the world, namely a 5,000-miles weekly service from England to India for passengers, mails and freight to leave Croydon at 5:45 on the morning of Saturday beginning March 30 and arriving at Karachi at 10:30 the following Friday, both Greenwich time.

The return will be made from Karachi on Monday, arriving at Croydon on the following Saturday.

The actual flying-time is only 52 hours each way. The service is primarily intended to accelerate mails and will greatly speed up those not only to India but also to Iraq, Palestine, Ceylon, Australasia, China and Japan.—Reuter.

THE LAST TIME

(Continued from page 1.)

Lo Kwong-mia (1st in English, Mathematics, Science); Cheng Yanting (2nd in Mathematics).

Form III.—Yip Kung-chiu (Dux and 1st in English, History, Geography, Arithmetic, Mathematics); Loo Teng-nguan (1st in Scripture); Lee Wal-yeung (2nd in English I); Kwoh Ying-chiu (1st in English II); Fan Chi-chin (2nd in History, Geography); Tang Puk-chee (2nd in Arithmetic).

Form II.—Kam Cheung-ying (Dux and 1st in Scripture, English I); Kwoh Hing-chung (1st in English II); Chang Shiu-fook (1st in Geography); Li Hon-fan (1st in Arithmetic).

Form I.—So Ting-ohu (Dux and 1st in English I); Cheung Wing-nga (1st in Scripture (tie); Li Hin-hang (1st in Scripture (tie); Li Hin-jun (1st in English II); Lim Sin-tu (1st in Arithmetic).

For IB.—Chan Kai-ying (Dux and 1st in English, Scripture); Au Kwai-sang (1st in Arithmetic); Ue Sal-yim (2nd in Scripture).

Dux of the Chinese School 1928: Chui Kai-ming (gold medal).

Form VI.—1st Lee Lok.

Form V.—1st Leung Hau-yuen.

Middle A.—1st Chui Kai-ming, 2nd Wong Cho-tong, 3rd Wong Sze-kit.

Middle B.—1st Yip Kung-chiu, 2nd Chu Shiu-cheung, 3rd Ng Sun-pun.